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James Betley Named Executive Director of Indiana Charter School Board

INDIANAPOLIS – The Indiana Charter School Board today unanimously approved a resolution naming James Betley as Executive Director. Betley comes to the Charter School Board after having spent the last two years in various state level education roles including Deputy Director of Education Policy for Governor Mike Pence and General Counsel and Director of Policy at the Indiana State Board of Education.

“Among the many talents James brings to the ICSB, perhaps the most important is his unswerving commitment to quality in the public charter school space,” said M. Karega Rausch, Board Chairperson. “We are thrilled to have someone of his caliber leading the extraordinarily hard and important work of ensuring children across the state have access to quality charter schools.”

“It is an honor to join the Charter School Board and to have the opportunity to assist with its mission to provide high-quality educational options for parents and students across Indiana,” said Betley.

The Indiana Charter School Board authorizes fourteen public charter schools serving an estimated 3,000 students in Anderson, Fort Wayne, Indianapolis, Kokomo, Lafayette, Noblesville, Richmond, and South Bend.

Betley will assume his duties immediately. Prior to joining the State, Betley served as an attorney in the Tax Group at Ice Miller, LLP in Indianapolis. He received his bachelor’s degree in English from Northwestern University in Evanston, IL in 1993 and his law degree from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, MI in 1998. Betley, his wife, and three children reside in Indianapolis.

About the Indiana Charter School Board

The Indiana Charter School Board is an independent statewide charter school authorizing agency. The Board’s mission is to authorize and hold accountable a portfolio of high-performing charter schools in which students achieve high levels of growth and graduate prepared for college and careers. Each school authorized by the Board is subject to a transparent and outcomes-oriented accountability system. To learn more about upcoming board meetings, application cycles, and charter schools authorized by the Indiana Charter School Board, visit www.in.gov/icsb.